# IC Symposium Describing the Environment

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## Joint Operating Environment

- Human Geography
- Governance and Legitimacy
- Resources and Economics
- Science, Technology, and Engineering
  - By 2020-2030 machine intelligence and capabilities could surpass human capabilities.
  - Communications links, enabled by wireless and broadband technology and connected through vast and complex networks, will continue to grow.
  - The information, knowledge, and communications revolution will continue to accelerate.
  - Individuals and small groups having the ability to become "super-empowered"
  - Broadly speaking, in the 2030-plus timeframe, humans will be inextricably linked and in some cases it will be impossible to differentiate between man and machine.



## The Operational Environment for the Conduct of Land Operations

- Several attributes of the land environment affect the application of landpower. These include:
  - The requirement to deploy and employ Army forces rapidly
  - The requirement for Army forces to operate for protracted periods
  - The nature of close combat
  - Uncertainty, chance, friction, and complexity

#### The Operational Concept and a unified action environment

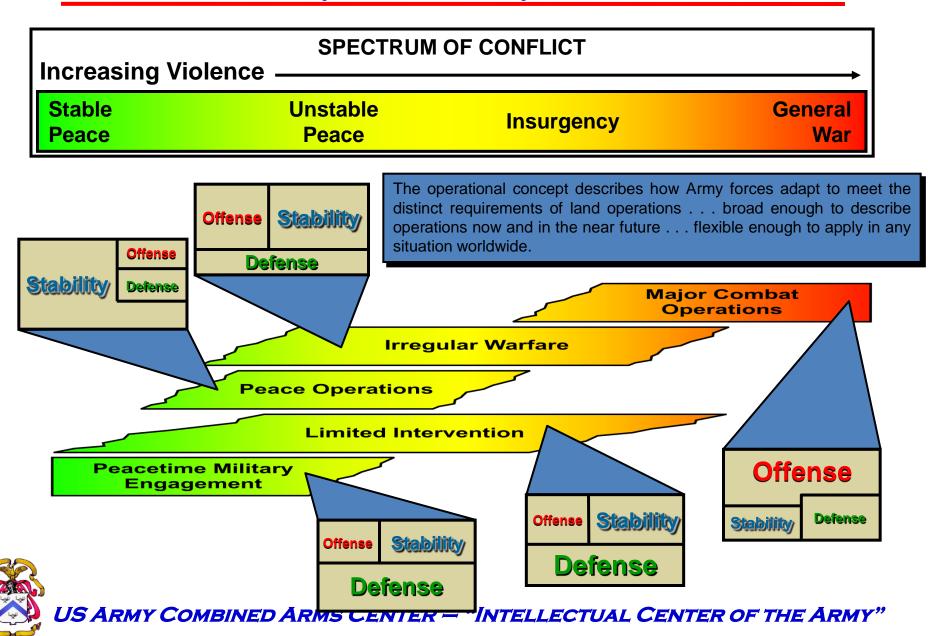
- Prevail in any conflict as part of a joint, interagency, intergovernmental, and multinational (JIIM) team by capitalizing on a traditional American Army strength – adaptive and creative small unit leadership.
- Provides a broad guideline for the employment of Army forces in an increasingly complex and uncertain environment

#### Technology will be another double-edged sword

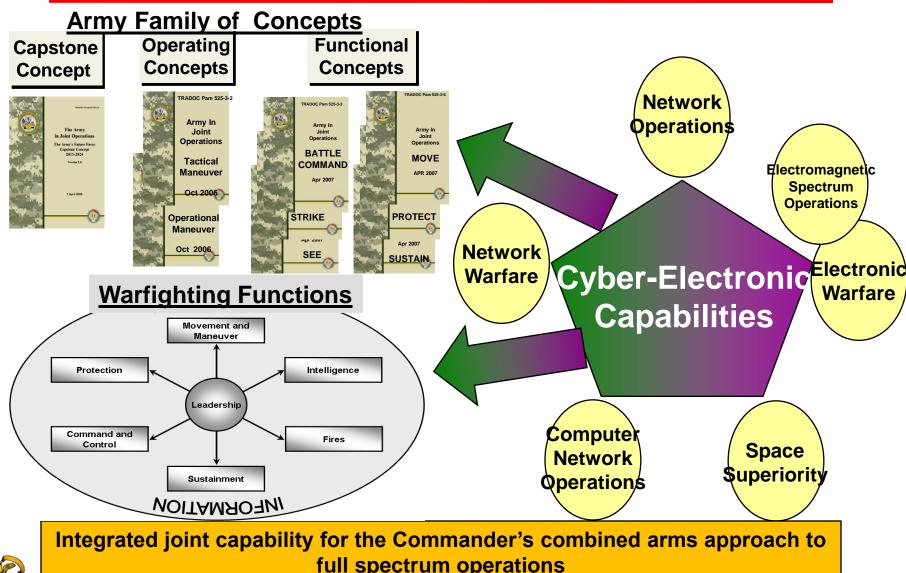
- Innovations that improve the quality of life and livelihood are also used by adversaries to destroy those lives
- Proliferation, falling costs, and availability of technologically advanced products—
- Expanded information technologies using mobile networks and expanded use of wireless and global fiber-optic networks
- Enabled nonstate adversaries to acquire them
- The operational environment will expand to areas historically immune to battle, including:
  - The continental United States and the territory of multinational partners, especially urban areas
  - Probably include areas not defined by geography, such as cyberspace
  - Computer network attacks that will span borders and will be able to hit anywhere, anytime
  - With the exception of cyberspace, all operations will be conducted "among the people" and outcomes will be measured in terms of effects on populations.



## Full Spectrum Operations



### Synchronizing Concepts & Capabilities





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